(e) No, Sir. Only a few instances of such failures have been reported.

(f) Action has been taken to stock, sufficient numbey of spare printed circuit boards to meet such situations.

Post offices in Villages

1625. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) State-wise number of villages in the country which do not have post offices;

(b) State-wise number of villages having post offices at the end of December,, 1987; and

(c) by when the remaining villages are likely to be provided with post offices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN TH! MINISTRY OF COMMUNiCATlOHS (SHRI GIR1DHAR QOMANGO): (a) and (b) The information is furnished in the statement (See beloio).

(c) There is no proposal to open a post office in every village. Only suoh villages as fulfill the prescribed norms are considered according to the targets laid down in each Five Year/ Annual Plan. The Seventh Plan (1995—90) envisages opening of Post Office in about 6,000 villages.

Statement

Post Offices in Villages

SL.No State/Union Territory	No. of villages without post offices.	No. of villages having post offices as on 31-12-1987
1. Andhra Pradesh	12718	14,677
2. Assam	18903	3,072
3. Arunachal Pradesh	6026	230
4. Bihar	57157	10,317
5. Gujarat	10505	7,783
6 Goa	223	163
7 Haryana	4598	2,152
8. Himachal Pradesh	14470	2,238
9. Jammu &Kasmir	5180	1,287
10. Karnataka	18834	8,199
11 Kerala		4,086
12 Madhya Pradesh	61828	9,500
13. Mizoram	463	258
14.Maharashtra	29212	10,091
15 Manipur	1501	' 525
16 Meghalaya	4515	387
17 Nagaland		235

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18	Urrisa	39550	6,988
19	Punjab	9059	3,280
20	Rajasthan	26142	8,281
21	Sikkim . .	326	113
22	Tamil Nadu	6022	' 9,789
23	Tripura . .	282	574
24	Uttar Pradesh . ' .	96222	16,026
• 25	West Bengal . . .	30908	: 7,018
	Union Territories		
1	Andaman & Nicobar	423	66
2	Chandigarh . . . ,	18	6
3	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	40	30
4		99	115
5	Daman & Diu	13	13
6	Lakshadweep	..	10
7	Pondicherry . ?	234	57
		4,53,345	1,28,197

Publication of Telephone Directories

1626. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state;

(a) the month and year of the publication and supply of the latest edition of telephone directories in English to the subscribers in Delhi and New Delhi, Calcutta, Bombay, Madras, Lucknow, Kanpur, Ahmedabad, Hyderabad, Bangalore, Nagpur, Jaipur, Patna, Amritsar, Srinagar; Mysore, Bhopal, Trivandrum, Guwahati;

(a) the reasons for the delay in publication and supply of the telephone directories; and

(b) Earnings on account of the sale of directories- circle-wise and languagewise during the fast three years?